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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: RO OVIP (CEAUSESCU, NICOLAE)
SUBJ: REQUEST FOR CALL ON SECRETARY BY ROMANIAN ACTING
FONMIN GLIGA
REF: STATE 61878

1. DURING MARCH 11 MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR, GOR ACTING
FONMIN GLIGA EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR ARRANGE-
MENTS FOR UNSSOD CONSULTATIONS AND HIS APPOINTMENT WITH
COINSELOR NIMETZ. IN ADDITION TO DISARMAMENT DISCUSSIONS,
GLIGA WOULD LIKE TO REVIEW U.S.-ROMANIAN BILATERAL RELATIONS
IN MEETING WITH NIMETZ AND MAKE CALLS ON ASSISTANCE SECRETARY
VEST AND/OR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY LUERS.

2. GLIGA ALSO SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED A BRIEF CALL ON
SECRETARY VANCE, AND EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT THAT
SECRETARY RECEIVE HIM. GLIGA HAS BEEN ACTING FONMIN DURING
MACOVESCU'S ILLNESS AND IS EMBASSY'S PRINCIPAL HIGH-LEVEL
LINK IN MINISTRY. (FYI. MACOVESCU NOW NOT EXPECTED BACK
IN OFFICE BEFORE APRIL 1, AND IT IS UNCERTAIN WHETHER HE
WILL ACCOMPANY CEAUSESCU ON U.S. TRIP. END FYI.)

3. AMONG SUBJECTS GLIGA WISHES TO DISCUSS IS SUBSTANCE
OF JOINT STATEMENT AND JOINT COMMUNIQUE ROMANIANS
HAVE IN MIND. HE SAID HE HOPED TO PROVIDE AMBASSADOR
COPIES OF GOR DRAFTS OF EACH ON MARCH 13, BUT WOULD CARRY
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COPIES WITH HIM TO WASHINGTON IN ANY EVENT IF THIS WERE
NOT POSSIBLE. HE INQUIRED AS TO WHO WOULD NEGOTIATE
DRAFT ON U.S. SIDE AND SEEMED TO HAVE IN MIND SUBSEQUENT
VISIT OF GOR OFFICIAL IF NECESSARY.

4. GLIGA PLANS TO ARRIVE WASHINGTON EVENING OF MARCH 14
AND TO MEET WITH AMBASSADOR NICOLAE AND STAFF ALL OF MORNING

OF MARCH 15. HE WOULD THEREFORE BE AVAILABLE FROM AFTER-
NOON OF MARCH 15 THROUGH MORNING OF MARCH 17 FOR CALL ON
SECETARY, BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS AND GENERAL EXCHANGES, IN
ADDITION TO UNSSOD TALKS ALREADY ON AGENDA.

5. AS GLIGA IS ONE OF MOST GENIAL, SENSITIVE AND HELPFUL
ROMANIAN SENIOR OFFICIALS, EMBASSY WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE
ANY REPRESENTATIONAL HOSPITALITY DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE.
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